

ALASBO  
Developing Your District's Budget  
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What is budgeting? Write your definition here:

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A page for your notes.

Exercise

In teams of three discuss your budgeting environment. (10 minutes)

What does your Board expect?

- a) Budgeting process
- b) Budget materials
- c) Timelines

What does your teachers' bargaining unit expect?

If a municipality, what does your municipal government body expect?

Did you budget enough for teacher salaries and benefits in FY 2018? FY 2019?  
Too much?

Do you think you budgeted enough for utilities and energy costs for the current year?

Cut to the chase—how much is budgeted for student activities?

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In different teams of three discuss what you expect to be your **critical** issues for this upcoming year. (10 minutes) We will share them with the whole group.

## Development Phase

Some ways to balance the budget

1. Superintendent (and team) making decision, hopefully in light of District goals, strategies, mission to promote student achievement
2. Board level decision making, frequently done in light of political winds
3. Guided approach to district administration selected options
4. Zero based budgeting
5. Program Based Budgeting
6. Darts at the local pub

### Exercise

In different teams of three discuss:

- a) How does your district currently balance the budget?
- b) How do you recommend your district balance the budget? Why?

We will share them with the whole group.